

Bar Hill News

March '00 No. 363



The Playstation Opens!

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Out of School Club

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Litter Buster Weekend April 8-9th

Bar Hill Residents' Association

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The Objectives

The objectives of the Association are to act as an intermediary between the Residents and other parties, to keep Residents informed of matters of importance and recreation in and around the Village, and to promote the interests of Bar Hill. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association. This is a private publication and may not be reproduced in any way without the permission of the Bar Hill Residents' Association committee

BHN Contributions

What ? (see insert)	Cost ? (per month)	Who, where, how ? (see above)	When ? (in month)
Commercial 1/4 page Ads	£10	Adverts Co-ordinator	1st of previous
Commercial Maxi Ads	£5	Editor	15th
Commercial Mini Ads	£2.50	Editor	15th
Articles - What's On			
For Sale - Lost & Found	free	Editor	15th

The '1/4 page' adverts are for local businesses and we guarantee that they are always printed. This often results in a 'waiting list'. To overcome this we provide 'mini' and 'maxi' adverts that we use as 'fillers' for the text pages and do not guarantee their inclusion due to restrictions on the number of pages we can produce. Any item can be submitted electronically via Microsoft Office files on disc or over the net via brian@48fh.freemove.co.uk

Anonymous letters cannot be published, but names and address may be withheld at the Editor's discretion.

All telephone numbers without an area code are Crafts Hill (01954)

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 **780442**
Health Visitors - 781855

	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	Morning	Afternoon	Morning	Afternoon	Morning	Afternoon	Morning	Afternoon	Morning	Afternoon
Health Centre	8:30-12:00	2:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:00-6:00
Dr R Ranasinghe	8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:30-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:30-6:00			8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00
Dr J Hassan	8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00	8:30-10:00		8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00
Practice Nurse	8:30-12:00	4:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:30-6:00	8:30-12:00	2:30-6:00	8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00	8:30-12:00	3:00-6:00
Child Immunisation (Practice Nurse)		03:00								
Physiotherapist	08:40			03:00						
Midwife (Antenatal)		02:00								
Child Health Clinic (Child and Family team - by appointment only)										2:00-4:30 ¹
Chiropractor					9:00-12:00		9:00-12:00	2:00-5:00		
Dentist			9:30-12:30 ²							
Orthoptist			9:00-12:30 ²						9:00-12:30 ⁴	
Psychiatric Doctor										2:00-4:30 ⁵
Psychiatric Nurse						02:00				
CAMTAC			9:00-12:00 ⁶							
Consultant Paediatrician						2:00-5:00 ⁵				

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- 1 - 1st & 3rd in month
- 2 - 2nd in month
- 3 - 3rd in month
- 4 - 4th in month
- 5 - 2nd & 4th in month

Useful telephone numbers

Bar Hill News (Editor - Margaret Carpenter)	200941
Bar Hill News (1/4 page adverts)	201421
Church (Rev. Gary Renison)	781629
Conservative Party (Iris Lay)	780457
Health Centre	780442
Labour Party (Jean Prandy)	780201
Liberal Democrat Party (Tom Flanagan)	780571
Parish Council (Clerk - Lesley Sadler)	780456
Police (PC 1187 Richard Newman)	01223 358966
Pre-School Playgroup	206179
School	273305
Social Club	206117
Sunshine Pre-School	789099
Swavesey Village College	230366
Village Hall	206179



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Letters to the Editor

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Dear Editor,

I was born in 1912 in the urban district of Walthamstow in South West Essex. It became a London Borough whilst I was at school. A pleasant enough place on the outer fringes of London. It had several working farms, open spaces and sports fields, but was already under the eye of the developers.

I lived there until 1938 (when commitments sent me elsewhere), but returned in 1956 to manage a small engineering business.

Unfortunately the town had now gone through a vast change for the worse, and was rapidly descending into chaos - Window smashing was rife, burglary an everyday occurrence, overcrowding normal, garbage everywhere, even in front gardens, shoplifting rampant and filthy abuse from young and old. I speak truthfully, I had my fair share of the lot.

I just had to get away and was recommended Bar Hill. My first visit was on a bright sunny day and I was won over by the place I was to buy and the Village Green. The aspect of the Green was a sizeable area bordered on its northern end by a magnificent row of tall fir trees. A picture fit for the cover of a book or magazine. Just the scene I like to paint in oils and it was like a breath of fresh air.

I moved in and for a time it was like a tonic or holiday. Then the blow fell. One day I saw this row of trees, probably the finest feature of Bar Hill Village, being ruthlessly hacked down to make room for what? A hideous block of bricks which must be the ugliest building in East Anglia. There had been plenty of room for this monstrosity on the other side of the Octagon and the

lovely trees could have been saved to hide this thing from the Green. But perhaps the car park had already been planned and another part of the Green doomed.

Now the scent of pinewood is no more, the scented trees that surrounded the garden centre have been bulldozed out and instead of the junior school getting the benefit, the children will have to put up with the exhaust fumes from the new car park which is as close to the front of the School as could be allowed.

No man has ever been more disillusioned than myself by the changes taking place in this Village. How much more of the Village Green is going to be sold for money that the council don't know what to do with? If I was younger I would be thinking of making another move for my peace of mind.

Yours sincerely

H.R. Morris

**Easter Service for
Pre-School Children**

2000 on Mon.
10th April
2-3pm
in The
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Friends of the Rosie

If you are looking for a traditional gift for a baby or child come and choose from our selection of hand-crafted toys.

We have a stall at the Daily Bread Co-operative, Kilmaine Close, King's Hedges, Cambridge from 14th March to 28th March.

We also have a small selection of jumpers and cardigans at the Tea Bar in the Rosie Outpatient Department.

Dear Editor,

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported us regarding the skateboard/BMX ramp proposal at the meeting at the church on 8th February.

If you attended, I spoke on behalf of the youths who were at the meeting and also those youths who visit the Farmhouse.

One of the points I brought up at this meeting was the 'ongoing' problem of groups of teenagers 'hanging' down the Mall and all the stigma associated with incidences of vandalism that occurs there. Although it is not us, but one or two individuals, people still look at us as a group.

The Farmhouse has been up and running for a couple of years now, it is a great place to meet up with our friends but also it keeps us away from the Mall and more importantly out of the cold. However there are problems resulting in the closing time being shortened by half an hour. It does not seem much now but what next!

At the end of the meeting I was invited to join the next Parish Council meeting which I will go to and make sure we continue to be listened to.

Finally as that kind lady said in the meeting, we are the next generation and should be able to be trusted and given a chance.

Thank You

Lisa Martin

-The Farmhouse is still looking for help and if we are a problem down the Mall then please help to keep the Farmhouse open.

If you want to find out more about what goes on in the Farmhouse then please pop in 7-9pm, Monday to Thursday, WE WON'T BITE!

Helping Hands

Need a cleaner? Animal feeder? Dog walker? Daytime babysitter? Shopping? Any other reasonable small jobs will be considered.

Call me, Tina 781186
(mobile 0779 0415335)

Bar Hill Parish Council**5 The Mall****780456****Litter Buster Weekend**

We are arranging a litter buster weekend for 8-9 April 2000. Please contact the Clerk if you or your organisation would like to help clear the Village of litter.

Tesco Redevelopment

The public meeting on 8th February was attended by 384 Villagers. It proved to be a very successful meeting with many salient points being raised. Even more encouraging was the attendance of quite a few youngsters.

The Parish Council will now discuss the matters arising from the meeting and the main points on the survey, (of which one quarter were returned), will be discussed and the outcome will be given as soon as possible.

Plans and photographs of the new Store are in the Parish Council offices. You are welcome to come and view them during opening times.

Should you have any concerns or complaints regarding works being carried out please convey them to Neil Fryatt, who is the Project Manager and can be contacted at the Bar Hill Tesco Store.

Opening Times

The Parish Council Offices, 5 The Mall, which is open to the public Monday – Friday 9:30 a.m. until 12 Noon, I apologise if I am not there due to other commitments within the Village or if I am on leave.

Handy Telephone Numbers

Streetlights: (freephone) **0800 253529** give the CCC No. (which is written on the lamppost).

South Cambridgeshire District Council Tel.: **(01223) 443000** - Dog Fouling **(01223) 443012**. (see page 279 of your 1999 telephone book for the other services they cover). Cambridge County Council (damaged paths and roads). Tel.: **(01223) 717111** (see page 102 of your 1999 telephone book for the other services they cover).

Lesley Sadler, Parish Clerk

TESCO**Development Update
at Bar Hill Centre**

Work to develop the Bar Hill Village Centre is running according to plan. Tesco would like to thank everyone for their continued support, during this time.

From 28th Feb. highway works will commence. Two entrance/exit routes into the main car park and from the petrol station will close. The new route will be created further around the same roundabout to enter the car park.

The road in front of the store will now be for access only. Signage will be positioned around the site to minimise any disruption.

Plans are available for viewing at the Parish Council Offices.

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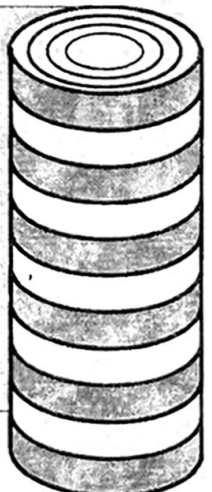
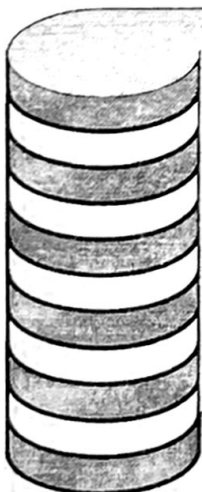
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We shall be holding our A.G.M. on Thursday 30th March at 8pm in the Village Hall. P.C. Richard

Newman will be there to answer your Questions and discuss any aspects of the scheme that may concern you, and/or any problems you may be experiencing.

We also hope that a member of the Crime Reduction Unit, at Parkside, will be able to come along to talk to us.

In spite of John Revell's incredibly hard work and perseverance there are still a number of areas in the Village that are not enjoying the protection of a street scheme. In addition to the discount on household insurance, the appearance of the Neighbourhood Watch signs prominently displayed warn the 'would be offender' that this is an area where neighbours care about each other and will be on the look out for anything which may seem suspicious.

So if you wish to find out more or, you would like to be covered by the extra protection, or just show support to those who are working hard on your behalf, please come along to the Village Hall on Thu. 30th Mar. at 8pm.

Jill Smith 780314

**Out of School Club**

YES, We are now officially open following the cutting of a ribbon by Cambridge United player Marc Joseph and a 'Disco Party' on 7th February. About 50 children registered with us were able to join in the fun. We would like to express our thanks to Phil Seekings and the Bar Hill Scouts, to Bar Hill School and to everyone who was involved with the setting up of our club. Thanks also go to Marc Joseph of Cambridge United and to Burger King who all helped to make the opening a great success.

'The Play Station' is held at the Scout Hut and is open after school until 6pm and during the school holidays 8.30am to 6.00pm to provide a fun environment for all primary school aged children.

We are not only able to provide support for working parents but we also welcome your children to join our Club for fun sessions.

Thanks to our NOF grant we have a computer, playstation, television, video, stereo, games tables, numerous craft activities, construction toys, games, various outdoor activities and lots more to stimulate your children's imagination.

For more details please phone Patsie on 201079.



Plotholders are often asked 'Is it worth it?' ie. is the quantity and quality of produce adequate return for the effort expended preparing the plot and the outlay for the seed and ancillary items? If I am perfectly honest I have to say that I do not like digging but I really gain a sense of achievement when I have turned one of the allotment beds, removed the weeds and seen the fine, fresh, level earth ready for planting.

Because we have cultivated our plots for several years, the hardest digging is long past, especially now that many barrowloads of compost have been incorporated into the soil making it far less heavy.

The outlay on plot rents and seeds is quite small for the quality of vegetables and fruit grown, and the flavour and quality is far superior to 'shop fare'! Even if plants do not yield as proposed, one can normally use other parts, eg. if broccoli doesn't form, then the leaves make excellent greens; so all is not lost!

Plots are normally available, those interested are invited to phone Paul Lloyd, 200591

Keith Morris

Bar Hill Childminders

Contact Deb Benstead 780284



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**THE GUIDE
ASSOCIATION**

2nd Bar Hill Brownies

Thank you to all those who supported our Bring & Buy Sale for Newlife. The total raised was £100 in just over 3/4 hour!

I would also like to thank the Brownies themselves who organised the stalls and encouraged their families and friends to support this worthy cause.

Well done girls!

Philippa Hall
(Brownie Guider)

March Wildlife Snippets



Toad of Toad Hall

vs

Kermit the Frog

Know how to spot the

difference between a toad and frog? The primary indicator is their skin. Toads have drier, bumpy skin which is brownish whilst frogs have smooth, moist, green skin - their slimy look is caused by a secretion from glands in the skin to keep it moist and supple.

Frogs tend to feed during the night at the edges of ponds using their characteristic long, sticky tongues to capture flying insects. Toads travel afar to get their food, which includes snails, slugs and woodlice.

During the colder winter season when temperatures drop below freezing, the male frogs bury themselves in mud at the bottom of ponds. Here they slow down and hibernate, breathing through their skin. Young, female frogs and toads hibernate under logs, stones and amongst leaves.

Frogs lay their spawn in clumps in shallow water where toads prefer deeper water and lay their eggs in long rope-like formations, which wind around plant stems. Out of 2,000 eggs, on average only five adults will survive to breed.

The Wildlife Trust urges that frog and toad spawn should be left alone as they often die needlessly when removed from their normal environment. One real danger is when spawn is taken from domestic ponds and dumped out in the wild; this can spread infection like the horrifically named Red Leg disease.

Why not help protect local wildlife and become a member of The Wildlife Trust.

To join over the phone or ask for a membership leaflet, simply ring the Membership Secretary on 01234 364213.

Securing your home - the natural way

One of the best ways to keep thieves out is to use nature's own defence mechanisms to stop intruders.

A barrier of prickly hedge may be all the protection you need around your property.

Here are some ideas:

Creeping Juniper - *Juniperus horizontalis* 'Wiltonii'. Also known as 'Blue Rug' because it has long branches and its prostrate shape forms a flattened blue carpet. It has a thorny stem and foliage.

Blue Spruce - *Picea pungens* 'Globosa'. Rigid branches, irregular dense blue, spiky needles. Ht. 1-1.25m x 75cm-1m. Slow growing, moist rich soil.

Common Holly - *Ilex aquifolium*. Large evergreen shrub, dark green spiked leaves. Large red berries on female plants only. Suitable in well drained soil.

Giant Rhubarb - *Gunnera manicata*. Giant rhubarb-like leaves on erect stems, abrasive foliage. Can grow up to 2.5m high.

Golden Bamboo - *Phyllostachys aurea*. Very graceful, forming thick clumps of up to 3.5m high. Less invasive than other bamboos. Hardy. Young shoots in spring.

Chinese Jujube - *Zizyphus sativa*. Medium sized tree with very spiny pendulous branches. Leaves glossy bright green. Bears clusters of small yellow flowers.

Firethorn - *Pyracantha* 'Orange Glow'. Flowers white in June, with bright orange-red berries. Thorny stem. Ht. 3-4.5m. Suitable for north or east-facing wall or as impenetrable hedging.

Shrub Rose - *Rosa* 'Frau Dagmar Hastrup'. Excellent ground cover, pale pink flowers, very thorny stem. May-September.

Juniper - *Juniperus x Media* 'Old Gold'. Evergreen. Golden-tipped, prickly foliage. Ht. 0.6m. Spread 1.8m.

Mountain Pine - *Pinus mugo* 'Mugbus'. A very hardy, large shrub or small tree, with long sharp needles, of dense, bushy habit. Leaves in pairs, 3-4cm long, rigid and curved, dark green, cone shaped.

Written by Julie Buck, Community Safety Officer, Cambridgeshire Police. Working in

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 Jacques Wheatley 01223 527093

Policing Bar Hill

For the period 15/01/00 to 15/02/00 there have been 14 vehicle crimes with 8 occurring on the night of 1st of February. Foxhollow, Little Meadow, Almond Grove, Acorn Avenue were all 'hit', with primarily older vehicles (ie B to J reg.) being the targets.

Three males are sought regarding the theft of a Metro. All are white. One had a goatee beard and was wearing a red/blue/white jacket; one had dark black hair, wore glasses and had a spotty complexion and the third was wearing a red jacket. They were last seen in the Wadley Road area of Cambridge.

Please remove all property from your vehicle at night, or at least put it out of sight and fit an alarm or decent security device.

Finally a current trend in burglaries in other villages is the forcing of lower ground floor windows. Mobile phones, car keys and jewellery are favourite targets. Fit window locks and make a note of serial numbers or, in the case of jewellery, photograph it - it makes detection and recovery a lot easier.

Richard Newman PC1187

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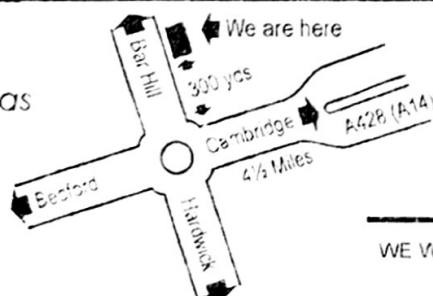
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Cake Stall

10th March 2.30pm - 3.30pm outside the Community Lounge.

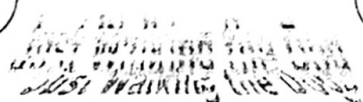
We raised £80 for BBC's Children in Need at the last stall. Thank you for your support and donations.

Nearly New Sale

Sat. 15th Apr. - 2-3pm at Bar Hill School. Condition forms for sellers will be available from March. Goods for sale must be brought to the School on Fri. 14th Apr. between 7.40 and 8.00pm. Unsold items must be collected from School at 4.45pm on Sat. 15th Apr. It would help us if you could sort clothing between boys, girls and babies etc. and mark all items clearly with the price and seller number. Completed condition forms must be returned by 7th Apr.

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Diary Dates

Sat. 1st Apr. 7.30 - 11.30 pm

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Sat. 13th May. Car Boot Sale.

Recent Jumble Sale

Many thanks to all those who gave items to sell and for those who came along and supported the event. We raised over £400 towards the Village school.

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The aim of our successful playgroup is to enhance the personal and social development of all children placed in our care. This is achieved through the various activities we have in our **two rooms**. This provides the educational setting required by OFSTED. All our sessions are run by our team of trained, experienced playleaders - Heather, Jenny and Gill.

Session times:-

Mon, Wed & Thu.	9.15 - 11.45 am
Tue 'Playtots'	9.30 - 11.00 am
Tue	12.30 - 3.00 pm
Fri. 'Rising Fives'	9.15 - 12.45 am

Information

Did you know that at our Playgroup we use a vast amount of equipment? This includes a slide, climbing frame, a playhouse, various dressing-up clothes, a Brio train set, a sand/water play area, a painting area, a book corner and too

many puzzles and games to mention!

Each session has a timetable of events in both rooms. Our **Craft Room** provides us with the facilities to develop mathematics, scientific reasoning and Information Technology through a series of topics which incorporates the use of all the equipment.

If you would like to call in and see what we offer please do. The staff will be happy to see you. Our recent OFSTED inspection report, which was excellent, is held at Playgroup and we would be glad to show it to you.

Playtots

Good news parents! We've changed the age limit so that your child only needs to be **one year old** to come and join in the fun (the upper limit is now 2½ year olds). This session offers the ideal opportunity to set the 'feel' for playgroup life (interaction with peers, discovering the wonders of one's surroundings, the joy of playing, etc.) However there is a catch for the grown-ups - it's a 'Pay as they play' morning!

Please come and see us, our staff would love to see you and are always willing and able to give advice.

Nursery Grant

Under the Nursery Grant Scheme, if your child is eligible, then the term after

their 4th birthday he/she is entitled to **5 free sessions per week**. Please ring Julie Jolley 780445 for more information.

Places

For places ring Julie Jolley 780445. Application forms are available at Playgroup, The Library and the foyer of the Village Hall.

Subsidised places

We are happy to offer subsidised places to parents on Income Support or Family Credit. Any such request will go before the committee together with supporting documentation supplied by the applicant and will be dealt with on an individual basis.

Please note that we also offer discounts if your child attends more than 4 sessions per week.

Only one discount/subsidy will be allowed per child. Please call our administrator, Julie Jolley, on 780445 for more information.

Jumble Sale

Playgroup are holding a Jumble Sale on Sat. 4th Mar. 2-4pm. Village Hall. Please come along and support our fundraising event.

Webb Ivory Catalogue

Our new Webb Ivory catalogue is now available at Playgroup.

Please feel free to have a look through. The catalogue has great gifts for Mother's Day and Easter.

Sonya York, Chairman

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We have two dates this month for members to note:

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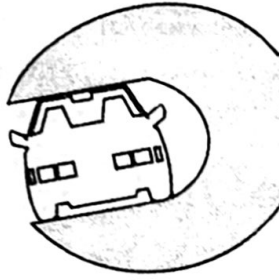
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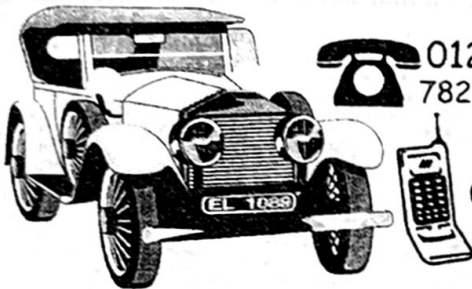
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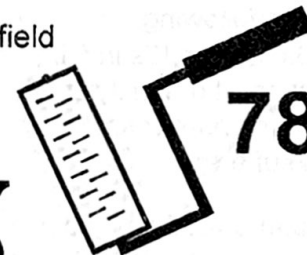
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






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Our sessions are held in the Church Centre on a Tue. morning and Wed., Thu. and Fri. afternoons. We also have sessions in the School Studio on Mon. and Wed. mornings. (Mon. - children due to start school, Wed. - open to all ages)

We have a system of record keeping, enabling us to monitor each child's progress throughout the year. Each child is also allocated a 'key-worker', a member of staff who specifically monitors the children in their group. Several parent consultation evenings are provided throughout the year, ensuring that parents are kept up to date with their child's progress. We are also available at home to receive calls from parents wishing to discuss anything at any time.

Each child works through a series of workbooks and is able to take reading or workbooks home at the end of each session to share at home with the family.

There is a copy of our OFSTED nursery inspection report available to anyone on request.

From the term after their 4th birthday children are entitled to 5 free sessions per week under the Nursery Grant Scheme.

If you would like to find out more about the wide range of activities we offer or would like to arrange a visit please telephone us at any time. We would love to meet you and your child. Alternatively, registration forms are available in the Toddlers room or the Library.

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Our newly created garden now has a roadway, climbing frame, children's playhouse, and many other attractive features, stimulating the children's imagination!

Each session is structured as follows:- During the first half of the session the children are encouraged to participate in a variety of activities - sand and water play, painting, craft, construction play and activities to develop reading and writing skills.

Then, after the break for milk and fruit, comes 'show and tell'. This is where the children talk about an item that they have brought with them or a subject that interests them.

In the second half of the session the children are given opportunities to participate in activities that concentrate on the development of numeracy, literacy and social skills.

Note that the term after your child's 4th birthday he/she is entitled to 5 sessions a week FREE. We now accept children from the age of 2½ years (providing they are toilet trained).

Sunbeams

Sunbeams is our new Toddler session - led by our Pre-School playleader Jo on a Thu. - (1 to 3pm). Each session consists of painting, playing with sand and a large choice of other activities. After a break for milk and fruit, the children play outside (weather permitting) in our fenced off garden, where there is a wide variety of attractive features to play with. The session is then drawn to a close with a singsong.

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Children may still attend Toddlers as well as going to playgroup up to the age of three.

Session times:

Mon - Fri 9.45 - 11.15
(Wed. for 12 - 18 month only)

To find out more or book a session, please contact Tina Eales 781122. You are more than welcome to call in and have a chat with supervisors Jo, Louise & Gill.

Welcome Back

We hope you are all enjoying the new term. Please keep an eye on the notice board for any news and events we have planned for this term.

Pay & Play

Every Monday 1.30 - 3.00 pm in the meetings room. **No need to book.** £1.70 per child (includes a drink and a biscuit).

A.G.M.

Wed. 8th Mar. at 8.00pm in the Meetings Room (Church Centre). Come and hear what has happened over the year and welcome the new Committee.

We still need a Chairperson/Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Publicity Officer. If you are able to help please sign up on the noticeboard.

Old and New Committee news

Thank you to all the members from

the previous committee, whose hard work and commitment has kept Toddlers running for yet another year! A special mention must go to Kirsten (who is staying on for another year!) - thank you for taking on more jobs as they have arisen through illnesses etc. and Tracy we hope the rest of your pregnancy will get easier!

Please continue to support the new committee and if you have any time, talents or ideas please do let the members know. They will be very grateful! We wish you all the best and hope you will have as much fun.

Half-term Playdays

We apologise that these were unable to run. This was due to the heaters being replaced in the Church Centre.

Watch the noticeboard & BHN for details of the Easter playdays.

Melanie Stamp 789064

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Tue. 18th Apr. - Dry Drayton Ramble and Picnic during half term break. Children and adults may bring their bikes. Meet at Village Hall car park 9.50 am

Tue. 30th May - outing to be fixed. Please ring Jo 780304 or Anne at 201436 to confirm that the event is happening before you come.

Swee Kim on 200527.

Woodcraft Folk

Woodcraft Folk is an organisation catering for boys and girls aged 6 years and upwards. Bar Hill has an 'Elfin' group for children aged between 6 and 10. The Foxglove Elfin's meet every Friday evening during term time in the School Studio between 6 and 7.15 pm.

Woodcraft Folk is run as a parents' co-operative with all parents of participating children being involved in the planning and running of meetings.

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National Women's Register

Diary Dates

Mon. 6th Mar. How to influence people without them knowing (body language). Speaker Karen Ives. At 55 Acorn Avenue.

Thu. 16th Mar. Read a book by Joanna Trollope and be prepared to review and discuss. At: 6 Partridge Drive.

Mon. 3rd Apr. Planning meeting. At 37 Acorn Avenue.

We meet once a fortnight on a Monday or Thursday evening at 8pm. We are a lively group of women of varied ages and a cross section of occupations. Newcomers are always welcome, so why not come along and join us?

If you would like to attend one of our meetings or require further information, please don't hesitate to ring Jill Smith 780314 or Jean Prandy 780201

8 O'Clock Club

Diary Dates

2nd Mar. - Treasure Trove

6th Apr. - Birthday Party - members only

4th May - Around the world in 23 years.



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Another trip likely to be very popular is a trip to Dublin. Full details and an information pack is currently being prepared, but briefly it is from Fri. 6th Oct. to Sun. 8th Oct. The price (around £110, depending on numbers) includes coaches and ferry to and from Dublin, 2 nights Bed & Breakfast in a hotel and options on a couple of trips. Please watch out for the details on our noticeboards and note that a non-refundable deposit of £30 will be required with your name to secure a place.

At our last meeting the Club agreed to sponsor one of the Golf Society's 'Away Days'. Look out for details of their Race Night coming up soon. Unfortunately the last race night was a bit disappointing and many felt the Cricket Club were a bit greedy with their mean odds. To avoid this the committee have

agreed to insist the promoters' percentage payout be printed on the race cards prior to racing starting.

You will have noticed (I hope) the Club has gone to great lengths to improve its security and there's still more to come! I find this a very sad state of affairs but very necessary not merely to protect our premises and staff but also to keep the insurance premiums affordable. The majority of measures taken will be unobtrusive to the members but 'out of hours' an obvious deterrent.

A big thank you to everyone who turned up to the Parish Meeting on the 8th to discuss the spending of the 'Tesco money'. I personally thought it a positive meeting and look forward to hearing the Parish Councillors' decision(s). Hopefully we can look forward to improved Village Hall and Sports & Social Club premises. We have continued to be patient and hope that, at last, that patience will be duly rewarded!

With the Six Nations rugby, Worthington Cup football and FA Cup football currently taking place and Test Match cricket to come, we are continually being asked to stay open all day Saturdays and Sundays, and, thanks to all the staff, we are endeavouring to do

so. To avoid these being last minute decisions we are putting together a monthly diary of events. Sporting and Social, which will be freely available to let you know what is provided in advance. If you happen to know of a forthcoming event requiring all day opening at weekends please let Sue, Barry or Lesley know.

You may have noticed some changes to the beer being sold. We have noticed over a period a decline in the sales of the once popular John Smith's 'Rough'. This has now been removed. A series of monthly 'guests' will be on sale with a view to finding a regular to replace JSR, so for the moment look out for Ruddles, 6X and Pedigree. Each of these will still be supported by lesser known short term guests (one or two kegs max.). If you have any preferences please tell Sue or Barry.

Forthcoming events:-

Wed. 1st Mar. St. David's Day

Fri. 17th Mar. St. Patrick's Night with Entertainment

Wed. 21st Apr. 'Sleep tight' - duo

Fri. 23rd Apr. St. George's Day - Guest Ale and Roast Beef sandwiches!

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Table Tennis Club

Bar Hill Table Tennis Club continues to meet every Tuesday during school term time. We meet from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm in the main hall at the School. We are a small, friendly club which does not play in a league but offers a relaxed atmosphere in which to enjoy the game. We cater for a wide variety of standards and provide all equipment - all you need is a pair of plimsolls or similar.

So, if you used to play, or if you would like to start, and want some gentle (or not so gentle) exercise, why not come along on a Tuesday evening? If you would like more information, please call Peter Bowers on 781977.

As the evenings grow longer the new tennis season beckons! The Club welcomes all existing members and anybody interested in playing tennis in the Village to its AGM, to be held on Wednesday 29 March 2000 at 7.30pm, in the Community Room at Bar Hill School.

We welcome players of all abilities and all ages. Club membership entitles you to play at any time, as well as at our regular club nights. If you would like to hear more about the Club, please come along to our AGM.

If you would like more information please contact:

Peter Hering (Chairman) - 781779

Nik Handley - 782267

Paul Chubbuck - 781688



Bar Hill
Cricket Club

The new season

The new season is not far away and we are holding net practice at Swavesey Village College every Sunday between 11.00 and 12.30 am. Players both new and old are always welcome. If you'd like to play this summer either come along to nets or contact Martin Haslop 789298 or Julie Lemon 201502 for more details.

Fenland Squash Club

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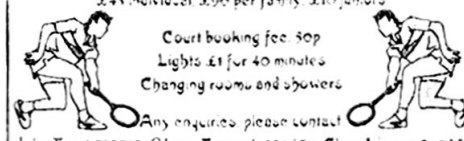
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Well the winter months have all but passed, and we are now getting back to normal with a very exciting end to the season in sight.

In the Colts League the positions of our teams is shown here, and you will note that there are a number of our teams that are pushing for a top two spot, with the promise of trophies glinting in their managers' eyes.

Under 11A	3 rd	div 11D
Under 11B	6 th	div 11D
Under 12's	5 th	div 12D
Under 13's	9 th	div 13B
Under 15's	8 th	div 15C
Under 16's	5 th	div 16A
Under 17's	3 rd	div 17A

(as at 2nd February 2000)

Our teams have all done their very best, and whatever their position in the league, you can be sure that they have represented our Village with a wonderful sporting spirit that we can all be very proud of.

On the Social front our Valentine's Disco was a roaring success, with over 15 prizes being given out in the lucky ticket number raffle, with the top prize being a telephone/answering machine. There was dancing until midnight and a delicious Fish and Chip Supper. But the game that caught everyone's attention was 'heads and tails'. Just £1 entry and all you had to do was put your hands on your head, or on your 'tail'. If the

coin toss was in your favour, you stayed in. The winner (whose name has been withheld for her safety) walked away with the cash prize of £50.00. Everyone had a great time, and we would just like to thank you all for your support, which

is so important to our club's survival. A very special thanks to **Ruth (Entertainments Officer)**, and all those who helped set up, and then clear up the next day, and to **Brian** for his expert Washing up.

We do hope to hold another Mega-event in the summer, so be prepared to have a good time with us. More news when we have it.

As you can see our fixtures are back (well most of them anyway), so please do pop along and see how our lads/lasses are doing, and cheer them on. You would be more than welcome to come along to our AGM.

Barry Dean (780893)

Next Month: Presentation Evening!

CAMBS MINI LEAGUE		
	Under 9 L. Devils	Under 10A & Under 10B
March 2000		
4 th	Aztecs 'C'	NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINTING
11 th	Cottenham	
18 th		
25 th	Histon Hornets	
April 2000		
1 st	Comberton	
8 th	Hardwick Harriers	
15 th		
22 nd		
29 th	Cottenham	

Karate Club

New Beginners Course

My name is Darin Mount and I hold a first level Black Belt in Shotokan Karate. Last September I founded the Cambridge Shotokan Karate Club and started to run training sessions at the Scout Hut on Tuesday evenings. It has proved to be very successful and the students who joined last year are now due to take their second belt grading. I feel privileged to have the opportunity to train with such a dedicated and motivated group and, inspired by their commitment to the Club, I am now intending to expand the membership and run a new Beginners Course. I would like to hear from anyone (over 14 years) who feel they might be interested in learning the art of traditional Shotokan karate. No experience of martial arts is necessary and there is no upper age limit. Instead of my talking about the Club, I thought that it would be fair to give the students an opportunity to say what they feel about it and karate itself. Listed below are some of their responses:



* "A very friendly club. The instructor breaks down the most difficult techniques so that they become easy to pick up"

* "Karate has improved my confidence, fitness and concentration. Also the knowledge that I can defend myself. I have obtained a real sense of achievement."

* "The unity within the club motivates you to carry on. You think of karate as building your strength but for me it has built my confidence".

* "It is supportive with very comprehensive instruction"

* "Entirely worth the time and effort".

* "Highly focused mental and physical training for fitness and enjoyment".

* "Great for keeping fit".

I intend to start Beginners Course in early March and if you would like to talk about the possibility of enrolling please give me a call on 204226.

Darin Mount, 67 Appletrees

CAMBRIDGESHIRE COLTS LEAGUE							
Date	Under 11A Tornados	Under 11B Strikers	Under 12	Under 13	Under 15	Under 16	Under 17
March 2000							
5 th	K.C. Cougars	Over Sports Colts	Fordham Hammers	Cambridge Crusaders	Buntingford Cougars	Warboys	
12 th		Priory Parkside		Gdmnchstr Rovers 'A'	Gamlingay United	St Ives Town	
19 th		Hardwick Harriers	Ely Crusaders		Hemingford Colts	St Ives Town	Hardwick Harriers
26 th	Swavesey Spartans		Priory Parkside	Priory Parkside	C. Hinton Lions		
April 2000							
2 nd			Ende Dynamos			Fulbourn Institute	
9 th					Hemingford	Gdmnchstr Rovers	
16 th					Soham Town		
	HOME			AWAY			



(The re-cycled youth club)

A Big Welcome to our new members: Betty Garnet, Lilly Ethbridge, Lilley Neal, Nellie Brandy and Betty and Len Stansford. I am sure that in a very short while you will feel at home among our happy crowd, and I feel sure that you will have a lot to look forward to in the weeks ahead. If you need help or advice on any matter either the committee members will tell you or our members will.

Up until quite recently Frank Sadler was our eldest member at 90, now we have taken on another youngster, Lea Stansford at 92, blimey they are getting younger all the time. Incidentally folks, there are still a few vacancies left for you older ones, come along and enjoy yourselves. It's wonderful to see all their shining faces each week. In fact our numbers stood at 85 quite recently. On Monday, 14th February, we had over 70 in the church - I feel that, perhaps, St. Valentine's day had something to do with it!

It was lovely to see Barbara Wade back amongst us and Cyril and Grace and the good news is that Eileen Shears is making out quite well. With all the winter ills and bugs around us it is surely amazing the stamina of the oldies. Perhaps it is something to do with our Chairman, who take them off to places like the Isle of Wight, Eastbourne and Bournemouth for their 'keep-fit' courses. Incidentally, Phyllis hasn't forgotten the possibility that Torquay or Bournemouth is on offer this year at some ridiculous price during May. This time she is thinking of having an over 80's cross-country run! You just cannot afford to miss the laughter we always have on these trips, the food is always so enjoyable, coupled with the lush hotels and evening entertainment. I know you won't be disappointed.

Our monthly coach outings are due to start in April and Sid would welcome

any suggestions of places you would like to visit. In fact, would anyone amongst you, other than committee members, like to take over the responsibility of organising these outings. Over the years Sid has put an awful lot of time and effort into these trips for your enjoyment and pleasure. Perhaps it's time we gave Sid a well-earned rest; to sit back and enjoy himself for a change.

Do you just belong?

*Are you an active member,
the kind that would be missed,
or are you just contented
that your name is on the list?*

*Do you attend the meetings and
mingle with the flock,
or do you stay away and
then criticise and knock?*

*Do you take an active part
to help the show along,
or are you satisfied to be
the kind that just belong?*

*Do you ever pay a visit
to a member who is sick,
Or leave the work to just a few
and then call them the "clique"?*

*Think this over dear member:
you know the right from wrong
Be an active member,
and do not **JUST belong**.*

Loan Videos

You will recall many weeks ago we enticed some of our members to loan out their own videos to other members so they too could enjoy them without any cost to themselves. We had a lovely member, Neville Clark, to run this system for us and he has been a great help indeed to ensure that they were handed out without cost to whoever wanted them. But these videos were left out for people to help themselves and to advise Neville which ones they had taken. Regrettably this was overlooked by a few, so we have about 7 videos missing which are not the property of the

Club, but the individual members who lent them. If you are one of these members please return them to Neville as soon as possible so we can keep our records straight. Thank you indeed.

Jimmy James 201127

Thought for the month

You may have been following the 'Jubilee 2000' campaign, which is co-ordinating the efforts to relieve many poor countries of the crippling debt repayments which they are making to the world's richer nations. We often feel powerless against the huge companies and political systems of our world, but a spokesperson from the World Bank has described Jubilee 2000 as "the most effective global lobbying campaign I have ever seen." It is not the cleverly worded arguments, or the political or financial backing which is being heard, but the sheer number of individuals all around the world who are uniting in support of the poor. Jesus' work was often among the poor and needy, and in supporting this campaign we can put into practice his teaching about the Kingdom of God. It has been calculated that the amount we spend on chocolate each year would repay the debts owed to the UK by the African countries. This may be something to consider as we approach the season of Lent. If you would like more information about how your action can make a difference, please let me know.

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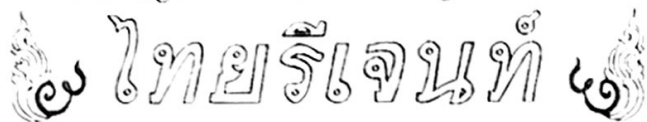
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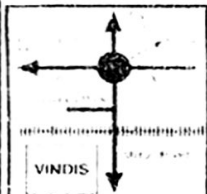
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Sun. 5th	10.00 am	Morning Worship & Family Communion	Preacher: Rev Gary Renison
	6.30pm	Praise Service	Led by Rev Gary Renison
Wed. 8th	8.00pm	Ash Wednesday Communion	Preacher: Mr. Nigel Warner
Sun. 12th	8.00am	Holy Communion	
	10.00am	Morning Worship	Preacher: Rev Anthony Howells
	4.00pm	Bible Study & Prayer followed by tea & cake	Led by Rev Gary Renison
Sun. 19th	8.00am	Morning Worship & Holy Communion	Preacher: Rev Gary Renison
	6.30pm	Open Prayer/Intercession	Led by Rev Gary Renison
Wed. 22nd	10.00am	Mid-week Communion	
Sun. 26th	10.00am	Family Communion	Preacher: Rev Anthony Howells
	3.30pm	Uniform Organisations Service	
	6.30pm	Quiet Communion	Preacher: Ms. Alison Parfitt

April

Mon. 10th 2.00pm Easter Service for Pre-School children

People to contact:

The Minister:	Rev. Gary Renison	781629
Assistant Minister:	Rev. Anthony Howells	01223 311572
Church Secretary:	Mrs. Joy Childs	260623
Church Administrator:	Dr. Elizabeth Burns	206120



Women's World Day of Prayer 2000

will be held at Bar Hill Church on Friday 3rd March at 7.30pm

We will be part of the 'World Day of Prayer' which begins as morning breaks over the island of Tonga in the South Pacific - and continues until the last service takes place on St. Lawrence Island, off the coast of Alaska.

This year the service has been prepared by the Christian women of Indonesia.

In a land where women are often oppressed their message is that we can all be made free.

All are invited, men, women and young people.

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Tue: 8am & 7.30 pm
Saturdays: 6pm First Mass of Sundays
also 6pm at Bar Hill Church Centre

Holydays of Obligation: 8 am, 10 am, 7.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tue. 6.45 pm (not after Mass)
Sat: 10.30 - 11.15 am, 4.30 - 5.15 pm,
7.00 - 7.45 pm

Details of other services are published in the weekly newsletter which is available at the 6 pm Mass each Saturday - copies are available in the Church Centre.

What's On

Wed.	1st		St. David's Day	Sports & Social Club	Village Hall
Thu.	2nd	7.30pm	'Evaluating Your Own Work' Anna Meek.	Swavesey Camera Club	SVC Lecture Room
		8.00pm	Treasure Trove	8 O'Clock Club	School
Fri.	3rd	7.30pm	Women's World Day of Prayer 2000		Church Centre
Sat.	4th	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Jumble Sale	Pre-School Playgroup	Village Hall
Mon.	6th	8.00pm	Influencing people - body language	National Women's Register	55 Acorn Avenue
Wed.	8th	8.00pm	AGM	Parent and Toddlers	Meeting Room, Church Centre
Fri.	10th	2.30 - 3.30pm	Cake Stall	Toy Library	Outside Community Lounge
Tue.	14th-28th		Daily Bread Co-Op	Friends of the Rosie	Kilmaine Close, King's Hedges
Thu.	16th	7.15 - 9.15pm	Free Internet Course	Swavesey VC	Swavesey VC
		7.30pm	'Will the Real Tony Brown Stand-up'. Mainly sports and people photography. Tony Brown.	Swavesey Camera Club	SVC Lecture Room
		8.00pm	Read a book by Joanna Trollope	National Women's Register	6 Partridge Drive
Fri.	17th		St. Patrick's Night with entertainment	Sports & Social Club	Village Hall
Sat.	18th	9.00 - 1.00pm	Camcorder filming for the terrified	Swee Kim	Swavesey VC
Thu.	23rd	7.15 - 9.15pm	Free Internet Course	Swavesey VC	Swavesey VC
		7.30pm	Meeting	Royal British Legion	Village Hall
Fri.	24th-25th		A Cocktail of Comedies	RADSOC	Swavesey VC
Mon.	27th	7.30pm	Group social	Royal British Legion	Over
Tue.	28th	9.50am	Spring is Rusting' at Coton Garden Centre	Ladies' International Group	Village Hall Car Park
Fri.	29th	7.30pm	AGM	Tennis Club	Community Room, School
Thu.	30th	7.15 - 9.15pm	Free Internet Course	Swavesey VC	Swavesey VC
		7.30pm	'Digitally Manipulated Prints' Bob Moore FRPS Courtesy of Jessops	Swavesey Camera Club	SVC Lecture Room
		8.00pm	AGM	Neighbourhood Watch	Village Hall
Apr.					
Sat.	1st	7.30 - 11.30pm	Dance with 'Bottled Out'	School PTA	School Hall
Mon.	3rd		Planning Meeting	National Women's Register	37 Acorn Avenue
Thu.	6th	7.15 - 9.15pm	Free Internet Course	Swavesey VC	Swavesey VC
		8.00pm	Birthday Party - members only	8 O'Clock Club	School
Mon.	10th	2.00 - 3.00 pm	Easter Service for Pre-School children	Church	Church Centre
Sat.	15th	2.00 - 3.00 pm	Nearly New Sale	Toy Library	School
Tue.	18th	9.50am	Dry Drayton ramble and picnic	Ladies' International Group	Village Hall Car Park
Fri.	21st		Good Friday		
Sun.	23rd		Easter Sunday		

Council Tax remains the same this year !

South Cambs. Council Tax will remain at £50 for the year 00/01 (for a Band D property occupied by two or more adults) following an agreement by Councillors at a Full Council meeting on Thu. 24th Feb.

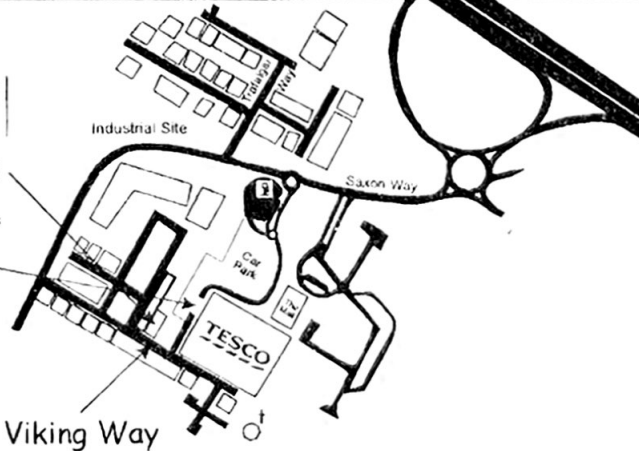
Last year the Council began charging a Council Tax for the first time in six years, after previously subsidising its costs from reserves and balances. The decision reflects the Council's policy last year of keeping its portion of Council Tax at a constant level from 1999 to 2002.

Councillor Richard Summerfield (Chair of the Finance committee) said:

"Keeping our Council Tax charge at £50 is good news for the electorate. It demonstrates we are keeping faith with our decision to maintain our level of charges over 3 years and is in line with Government targets for stability. Our figures show that we should be charging £86 per year (for a Band D property), but the Council is still able to draw from its reserves to make up this amount. Councillors have therefore decided to phase in the tax at a sustainable level. The costs work out to approximately 96p per week (for a Band D property) and we are still well below the amounts being charged by other local authorities in the County. Overall, the charge represents very good value for money."

South Cambridgeshire is the Billing Authority for all charges made by Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridgeshire Police Authority and Parish Councils, in addition to its own. Bills will be issued to residents during March. Any queries should be directed to Council Tax Bill Enquiries on 01223 443113.

For further information please contact Greg Harlock, Finance and Resources Director, South Cambridgeshire District Council on 01223 443081, or Sally Carroll, Information Officer, South Cambridgeshire District Council on 01223 443262.



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Would like to inform all the Bar Hill News readers that, despite the closure of the road shown around Tesco due to their redevelopment, from February 28th, we will all be here with our usual friendly service, but you'll have to use Viking Way to find us!